

Fears for frontline services



■ A TIME TO THINK OF OTHERS: The Mayor of Weymouth and Portland Councillor Graham Winter pictured with his wife Mary says budget cuts must be managed sympathetically to protect the vulnerable

Mayor's concerns for borough over Government finance tightening

by Harry Walton

GOVERNMENT cut-backs in grants to Dorset County Council could threaten frontline services such as police, fire, ambulance and social services.

That is the fear of Weymouth and Portland Mayor Graham Winter who talked exclusively to *The View* about his concerns for 2012.

Mr Winter said he believes that the terrible economic climate will see county finances hard hit by Government belt tightening.

He added: "This could put front line services such as the police at risk but it goes deeper than that."

"The county council has its own budget problems to solve and to do so they may well look at local councils such as Weymouth and Portland as a source of extra revenue."

"We have already lost control of responsibility for road maintenance which has been taken over by the county council and if they ever extended their control and took over other Weymouth and Portland revenue sources then we would be up the creek without a paddle because it would impact heavily on the borough."

Mr Winter said he saw no way forward for the borough until the national economic situation was sorted out.

He said: "The Government says it has to save billions which inevitably has a knock-down effect on borough and district councils."

"This must be managed sympathetically or the

most vulnerable people in our society, such as the elderly, will be the ones whose lives are compromised."

Mr Winter added that there were positive signs for Weymouth and Portland in 2012.

He said: "As Mayor I have been fortunate enough

to go round and see a lot of community projects and there is still a great community spirit within the borough with hundreds of organisations involved in interest activities, charities, fundraising and support for people from the cradle to the grave."

"That has to be a major

strength for Weymouth and Portland and I hope it continues despite the increasing outside pressures put upon it."

"With New Year nearly with us it is a time for family, a time for community and a time to think of others, so I would like to wish everyone a happy New Year."

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HAVING moved to Lyme Regis as a young child, Adam Sweet developed a love for music from an early age, after being encouraged to play the guitar whilst at primary school.

Adam, 25, graduated from Cardiff University with a degree in civil engineering and works as a structural engineer. But music is his real passion and is now a hit in the local music scene, playing in two bands, The Perfect Strangers and Sweet Black Angels, as well as performing solo.

Here he reveals his inspirations and talks about how he would like to see the local music scene improved.

■ WHAT made you first get into music?

I first got into music when I was encouraged to learn a musical instrument at primary school around the age of seven and chose to have a go at guitar.

I was playing the guitar on and off ever since then, but it really started to take off when I formed a band with a couple of school mates when we were about 14 years old. I started discovering the classic rock and blues music of the late 60s and early 70s and ever since then have been completely hooked!

I began singing much later after five or six years of gigging purely as a guitarist. It took a lot of encouragement to get started, but once I did I never looked back!

■ TELL us a bit about your music...

I've been playing in bands ever since that time at school. The band we formed, Nil By Mouth, performed a lot of gigs locally considering we were three very shy 15 year olds when we started!

I learned a lot from that time, and since then have played in a number of other bands and now currently front a three piece rock/blues band, The Perfect Strangers, as well as playing some gigs with the Sweet Black Angels and doing some other occasional session work.

But the last couple of years have seen things start to take off for me as a solo artist. The different direction has seen me improve vastly as a performer, playing acoustic based blues and rock inspired music of both covers and original material. I have now joined a new local independent record label and will be releasing a live EP shortly, followed hopefully by a studio album later in the year.

■ WHAT is the biggest gig you've ever played?

Not sure of the biggest gig I have played, but I have been lucky enough to bag some great support slots as a solo artist including recently opening for top blues artist Marcus Bonfanti when he performed in the area last month.

In February I will also be playing at Noel Gallagher's after show party in London with the Sweet Black Angels, which is sure to be a blast!



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■ WHERE is your favourite place to perform and why?

I love to perform in any venue where there's a crowd who are willing to listen and want to be entertained. I enjoy the challenge of travelling to venues I have never played before and trying to win over a new audience. But the local gigs are always great fun. I always look forward to coming back to Lyme where there is always an excellent home crowd!

■ WHAT do you like about living in the Lyme Regis area?

I have lived in Lyme Regis for most of my life, but have not been here so much in the last few years. However, the main attraction has to be the beautiful seaside scenery

and the relaxed pace of life. It will always feel like home so I try and get back as often as I can.

■ HOW would you like to see the local music scene improved?

It's getting more and more difficult for the venues we have locally to continue to provide live music, and just in my time I have seen far too many venues closing. But it's so important as it's where so many musicians start their careers (and it makes for a great night out!). It's not made easy for the pub landlords nowadays, but as long as more and more people keep coming out to support good quality local live music hopefully it will remain for years to come.

■ WHO is your musical inspiration?

The musicians that first inspired me to really get into guitar playing when I was in my teens were the classic rock bands such as Led Zeppelin, AC/DC and Deep Purple and guitarists such as Hendrix, Paul Kossoff, Peter Green and Stevie Ray Vaughan. But nowadays I take inspiration from so many different sources, ranging from musicians I meet on the local music scene to international artists from the past and present. I try to listen to as much music as I can ranging from rock, blues, country, folk and more, and I find the best way to get inspired is to go out and see any kind of live music whenever I can.

■ WHAT is the last CD you listened to, book you read and film you watched?

I have just finished listening to local songwriter Steve Black's new CD "All the Best". I've been lucky enough to work with him recently and his latest album is excellent; first class song writing and top quality musicianship.

I can't remember the last time I got round to sitting down and reading a book, but the last film I watched was the new film on racing legend Ayrton Senna.

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Olympic Nothe viewing tickets for a chosen few

OLYMPIC bosses are paying for a block of tickets so stars of the community can watch the Olympic sailing events from Weymouth's Nothe viewing area.

The 100 tickets, which form part of more than 64,000 tickets being issued for the site over the

Computer scam warning

COMPUTER scammers have been targeting homes in Weymouth.

The warning comes from police who want people to be on their guard against a scam where the victim receives a phone call from a company claiming they can fix their computer remotely.

Weymouth Safer Neighbourhood Officer, Kevin Eames, said: "This scam begins with the victim being asked to turn on their computer and then type 'EVENT VWR' into their system.

"The scam then seems to vary from the reports I have received, but I believe the intent of the caller is to obtain the victim's personal and banking details. Never part with your card details over the phone unless you are sure you are dealing with a legitimate, reputable organisation.

By Harry Walton

Olympic fortnight, include 76 for nominated individuals who have made a significant contribution to their local communities, for charitable work or for other achievements, each getting two tickets.

The remaining 24 tickets will be retained by the council for visiting and local dignitaries and potential inward investors.

Weymouth and Portland 2012 operations head Simon Williams will deliver a special report on proposals for the tickets to the council's management committee on January 3rd.

He says people will be invited to submit their own nominees to the council by March 12th with an option for the Mayor Graham Winter and Deputy Mayor Margaret Leicester to consider nominations and award the tickets.

LOCOC has asked that a decision on nominations be made by March 31st and councillors will be asked to consider setting up a nomination system for members of the local community to submit their own nominees to the council by March 12th.

The meeting will also be told that the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games has approached the council about the possibility of making available part of the Masonic and Lord Clyde car parks for parking by staff many of whom will be coming into the venue at early times and leaving late.

The Olympic Delivery Authority has also asked about the possible use of part of Westham Bridge for cycle parking.

Permission for four-storey flats

A SERIES of industrial and commercial sheds are to be demolished in Weymouth to make way for a development of six flats and a shop.

The site at Lower St Edmund Street, which is within the Weymouth Town Centre Conservation Area, is a commercial unit formerly occupied by outlets including Prime Motor Yachts.

The proposed four-storey scheme by Phoenix Properties was unanimously approved by a meeting of Weymouth and Port-

land planning committee which delegated final approval to its officers subject to conditions including a £13,500 payment towards flood contributions.

Building work will see two flats created each with two bedrooms on the first, second and third floors with a shop at ground floor level.

Councillor Kevin Hodder said: "It is really good to see a mixed use proposed for the site and I think it is an extremely good design."

Councillor Ray Banham said: "It is

certainly going to improve that very short stretch of road which is long overdue."

Chairman Councillor Mark Tewkesbury described it as "a fantastic scheme" for an "untidy" area while Councillor Peter Farrell said he welcomed the scheme and supported it wholeheartedly.

He added that he hoped archaeological investigative work on the site could be completed quickly so the scheme could go ahead

Yes, for temporary park and ride

A FIELD is to be converted into a temporary park and ride site capable of handling, 1,835 vehicles arriving for the 2012 Olympic sailing events in Weymouth and Portland.

Members of Weymouth and Portland planning committee unanimously backed the scheme which involves 8.7 hectares of land north of Littlemoor Road in Weymouth and which also involves temporary buildings and lighting.

Enabling works including the creation of a new access on to Littlemoor Road will take place between January 9th-February 24th with site setup tackled between July 14th-26th. The site would then be cleared between August 13th-25th.

Access for cars will be via an improved existing field access close to where the Weymouth relief road joins the old Little moor Road while a new access for shuttle buses is proposed south-east

of the existing access.

Mark James of the Olympic Delivery Authority told the meeting: "Clearly there will be concerns about traffic management, but park and ride sites form part of a wide ranging transport plan to deal with Olympic traffic."

Councillor Ray Banham said: "This is necessary with the envisaged influx of visitors during the Olympic weeks."

The meeting then unanimously approved the change of use for the agricultural land.

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Young offenders refurbish war memorial railings

YOUNG offenders from Portland have renovated old railings around Wyke war memorial in Weymouth.

Earlier this year Wyke Protection Society approached the council about getting the railings around the memorial replaced in time for the Olympics but, due to a lack of funds, an alternative solution had to be found.

Around the same time the council's parks section was

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contacted by representatives from the island Young Offender Institution about the possibility of young offenders undertaking community based projects.

Renovation of the railings provided an ideal job for a small team of young offenders who were tasked with rubbing down and painting up the iron fencing around the base of the memorial. All materials were funded by the borough council.

HMP YOI Portland governor Matt Shepherd said: "We are working with the borough council to find practical projects which prisoners can carry out to benefit the wider community.

"The war memorial refurbishment provided an opportunity to undertake a project that had been directly requested by the community and it has had a very positive impact on our local environment.

"It is encouraging to know that the Wyke Protection Society is pleased with the standard and quality of work that was achieved."

Weymouth and Portland community facilities spokesman Councillor Andy Blackwood said: "Young offenders from HMP YOI Portland are starting to make a real impact within the local community.

"Not only have they recently renovated the war memorial at Wyke but they then went on to remove graffiti, treat seats and litter pick at the gun emplacement on the Rodwell Trail."

Wyke Protection Society member Jean Hamdorff said: "We are very pleased with the results of the renovation. The work was done in time for Remembrance Day and more than 70 people were gathered around the memorial for the Sunday service.

"The Protection Society would like to thank the prisoners from HMP YOI Portland very much for all their efforts in bringing the old railings back up to a fitting standard."

Recognition for energy saving at Wessex Water

WESSEX Water, which supplies most of Dorset, has been named utility of the year for its continuous top performance and high standards of customer service. The company was singled out in October by Ofwat as the best performing water and sewerage firm in the industry.

Judges at this year's utility industry achievement awards said they were impressed with how Wessex had provided the best levels of customer service in the industry and put customers at the heart of everything it did.

Judges commented that "the company was driven by a will to improve that meant it did not stop at excellent performance".

This year Wessex Water topped Ofwat's new Service Incentive Mechanism - which assesses company performance - for all areas of customer service and it continued to deliver high standards of customer satisfaction with 98 per cent of customers who contacted the company rating its service as good or very good.

It has consistently outperformed regulatory requirements and topped league tables assessing operational performance ranging from drinking water quality to compliance with environmental standards.

Wessex Water also scooped an award for an initiative that encouraged customers to save water.



■ KATE and Lucy Macgregor and Annie Lush

Olympic girls at tower groundbreaking

OLYMPIC sailing contenders Annie Lush, Lucy and Kate Macgregor will be soaring high above the waves in Weymouth in the New Year.

The three Poole girls who make up the GBR team for a new Olympic Match Race event will be special guests at the official groundbreaking for the new Weymouth Tower on January 4th.

They will be hoisted nearly 50 metres into the sky by crane, weather permitting, for a taste of the spectacular views soon to be available to tower visitors.

The £3.5 million attraction on the corner of Weymouth's Festival Pier near the ferry terminal will overlook the Olympic Festival Village and provide a bird's eye view of the event

course over which the three girls will be vying for medals next summer.

Weymouth Sea Life Park owners Merlin Entertainments will operate the tower which, at its highest point, has views on a clear day which extend far beyond Weymouth Bay and Portland into the English Channel and many miles along the famous Jurassic coast.

Turning through a full 360-degrees it will also reveal an incredible panoramic vista of the resort itself and some of the beautiful surrounding countryside.

Tower and Sea Life boss Craig Dunkerley said: "Work is already underway and so far we're ahead of schedule.

"There's a real buzz of excitement

in the resort already and the official groundbreaking with Annie, Kate and Lucy is sure to boost anticipation further."

Craig is determined to overcome his own fear of heights to join Annie, Lucy and Kate in the crane cradle on January 4th.

He said: "It may take a crowbar to get my fingers off the rail when we get down but I'm not going to miss the opportunity."

Annie, Kate and Lucy have just returned from Perth in Australia where they narrowly lost their world champions' crown to the American team.

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Eight jobs lost as shoe shop closes

WEYMOUTH'S Priceless Shoes in St Mary Street has closed suddenly with the loss of eight jobs.

It formed part of Barratts Priceless, a chain of stores nationwide of which 18 were due to close before Christmas with the loss of nearly 130 jobs. More than 40 staff were also made redundant at its headquarters in Bradford.

The family run shoe chain's remaining

173 shops employing more than 3,600 people will stay open while administrators seek a buyer for all or part of the business.

Of the 18 stores to close, the Weymouth site was one of 13 Priceless shops, the other five closures being Barratts shops.

Mild weather worsening already bad trading conditions was blamed for the collapse

Helping businesses to join the social network revolution

TWO more one hour sessions showing how to get the most from Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and LinkedIn have been announced by West Dorset marketing and ideas company Marketing West.

The extra events will be held at the Heritage Hotel in Chickereil near Weymouth on January 24th at 12.45pm and at Sturminster Newton on the same day at 8.30am in The Exchange.

Nigel Reeve of Marketing West said both events had been encouraged by a waiting list of people keen to attend.

He added: "Up to now social media has often been seen as something only the young understand, but not anymore.

"The reality is that social media offers a set of tools that can help businesses reach more customers. Embracing social media and linking it with a company's website is now not an option, it's a necessity.

"Our earlier events in November proved to be a great success with more than 75 businesses attending.

"We have had a number of requests to run the seminars again, so we have

brought back our two social media experts, Mike Hensman and Martyn Hope, who between them will explain how to use the likes of Twitter and Facebook to help business.

"The key thing is that everything will be in simple plain English that we can all understand!"

The only cost to attend is an administration fee of £7.50 to cover costs. Places are limited and to book people should call Marketing West on 01308 861606, email them on info@marketingwest.co.uk or go to their website -- www.marketingwest.co.uk

Community minded couple's Christmas raffle

A FANTASTIC raffle by Alf's fish and chip shop in Weymouth raised £350 for good causes.

Half the money collected bought two portable DVD players and games for the Kingfisher children's ward at Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester, while the other half went towards paying for a Christmas party for elderly people living near Alf's shop on Chickereil Road.

The hospital gifts were accepted by Kingfisher's Julie Goodall who thanked Alf's owners John and Karen Pearce for all their efforts.

She added: "These gifts are wonderful and the ward is very grateful." The main raffle was drawn by Chickereil Mayor Mike Jolliffe and his escort Lynda Wise.

He said: "Once again John and Karen have brought a little Christmas happiness into the lives of those who need it most. They deserve every praise."

Karen said: "The reaction from the community to our raffle was wonderful and you couldn't get two better causes.

"We provided some of the raffle prizes but most were donated for which we are very grateful."



■ CHICKEREIL Mayor Mike Jolliffe and his escort Lynda Wise draw Alf's raffle watched by John and Karen Pearce



■ JOHN and Karen Pearce with Julie Goodall of Kingfisher ward

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Festive celebration for twinnors

■ WEYMOUTH & Portland Holzwickede Twinning Society held their annual dinner at the Spyglass, Overcombe.

Guest of honour was the Mayor of Weymouth and Portland, Councillor Graham Winter, who is also the society's president.

Councillor Winter is pictured being presented with a donation for his Christmas Fund by society chairman, Colin Evans and vice-chairman Pamela Yallop.

Coveted award for photographer

DORCHESTER-BASED photographer Andy Whale has won a highly acclaimed Silver Award at the British Institute of Professional Photography South East Region Awards in the People and Portraiture category for his stunning picture entitled "Paul Blow."

Over 300 images were entered and Andy received one of only seven Silver Awards. He is an Associate Member of the BIPP and in 2007 won the Peter Grurgeon Award for the Best Associateship Panel of Images.

Andy has a wealth of photographic experience under his belt, and it certainly shows in the amazing images he captures. Educated at the Thomas Hardy School, he attended the Bournemouth and Poole College of Arts where he took a course in foundation art and then spent a further three years studying photography. His first job was as an assistant for an advertising photographer, an introduction to the high-end world of advertising posters and billboards. His next break came as a freelance assistant, travelling the world and visiting places such as New York, Los Angeles and Sweden.

His first big break came when he worked for the Habitat catalogue.

Andy said: "This was an incredible training ground for me and a real confidence builder. It gave a fascinating insight into the world of advertising, one which remains with me to this day."

Andy eventually acquired his own studio in London where he worked for around 20 years.

During this time he concentrated on advertising design photography for posters, billboards and magazines. He gained commissions from companies such as Scrumpy Jack Cider, Bombay Sapphire Gin, Dyson, Daihatsu Cars and Mercedes. He also produced some stunning images working with both the Royal Opera House and the Royal Ballet, including a shoot with Darcy Bussell.

Four years ago Andy and his family moved back to Dorchester, where he now owns the Seven Springs

Studios specialising in makeover, portrait and commercial photography.

He has recently worked with Andrew Wadsworth of Brewery Development fame, creating an amazing time-lapse film of the building works at Brewery Square.

He gives talks at Weymouth College as well as running creative lighting courses in London. For an extra special portrait or high quality product photography at affordable prices Andy can be contacted on 01305 756060 or 07774 190023.



■ PHOTOGRAPHER Andy Whale with his award



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■ JULIE McCabe (kneeling) with some of the cushion knitters

Hand-crafted welcome for athletes

DOZENS of hand-knitted and felt-made cushions have been completed in Weymouth and Portland as welcome gifts for Olympic and Paralympic athletes.

The cushions were made under the national Woolsack scheme guided by local artist Julie McCabe.

She said: "We had more than 30

cushions handed in at the Park Community Centre in Weymouth and very lovely they were too.

"They will now go off to join cushions being made all over the country for this Olympic project.

"It will give the athletes something personal to take home from this country as a memento that looks good and is also useful.

"We are particularly grateful to

Synergy Housing who provided all the material."

Councillor Joy Stanley said: "I am very proud of all the hard work that people have put into making these cushions.

"There are some wonderful designs and it will give the athletes a lovely memento which was a true community effort."

Mayor's fund aids Shelterbox

by Harry Walton

WEYMOUTH and Portland residents have been thanked for their generosity after donations to the Mayor's fund last year helped buy Shelterboxes for families that lost everything due to flooding in Pakistan earlier this year.

A total sum of £2,049 was donated to Shelterbox with £1,000 of the total going to help Japan after the earthquake struck in March.

Shelterbox provides emergency shelter and lifesaving supplies for families around the world who are affected by disasters, at the time when they need it the most.

The boxes were sent to the Sindh region of Pakistan after torrential monsoon rain forced four million people out of their homes.

The resulting floods destroyed a million homes with 2,600 villages being submerged across 19 districts. With another £2,049 going to the Alzheimer's Society, the grand total money from last year's Mayor's fund was £4,098.

Funds were raised from the Mayor's Charity Ball in March and a number of donations from residents and businesses.

Councillor Paul Kimber, who was Mayor between May 2010-May 2011 said: "I would like to thank all those who donated towards the fund during my time as Mayor.

"The fund continues to benefit those in most need and to be able to

offer this kind of relief after two terrible disasters is a credit to the people of Weymouth and Portland.

"I would like to thank Ian Brooks who organised the fundraising, the Rotary clubs in Weymouth & Portland and Lions for all the help in fund raising."

Tim Bunting, Shelterbox UK General Manager, said: "We can't thank the mayor and residents of Weymouth enough for their generous donation. Their support allowed us to delivery emergency shelter and lifesaving supplies to families in Pakistan following the floods.

"The boxes you provided gave shelter, warmth and dignity at a time when families in Pakistan needed it the most."

Group enjoys winter walk by the lake

BIRD lovers enjoyed a winter walk with the RSPB from Weymouth's Radipole Lake reserve.

The group walked some distance in a loop towards the north hide to look mainly for marsh harriers.

Walk leader Fred Watts (pictured left) said: "It was a lovely day which was nice for our final event of the year.

"We were also able to look for bittern, bearded tits and some of the wintering wild fowl."



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Local team rewarded for torpedo research

A TEAM of local amateur marine archaeologists has received a national honour for their work in researching the Lost Torpedoes of Weymouth and Portland.

National Conference of the Nautical Archaeology Society president and Time Team archaeologist Phil Harding presented the prestigious annual Adopt-a-Wreck award to the Weymouth Land and Underwater Nautical Archaeological Research group.

The judges were unanimous, commending the team for their underwater surveying skills, archival research, conservation and the digital disseminating of information.

It was the second time the team had won the award, gaining it in 2005 for their work on the English East Indiaman,

by Harry Walton

Earl of Abergavenny, which sank in Weymouth Bay in 1805.

Weymouth LUNAR consisted of Ed Cumming, Ron Howse, Jim Walmsley, David Carter, Peter Kingston, Tony Howse, Albie Hopkins and internationally renowned underwater photographer Mike Pitts.

They took their inspiration from the original Lunar Society, an informal learned society of prominent figures from the Midlands who met regularly between 1765 and 1813 in Birmingham to exchange ideas to the betterment of their individual interests.

The invention and development of the torpedo was largely the work of the English engineer, Robert Whitehead, who established a factory to develop and manufacture torpedoes in Wyke Regis in 1891.

The Whitehead Company remained the world leader in torpedo development and production up to the First World War. Torpedoes have been tested by both the Admiralty and Whitehead in Weymouth Bay and Portland Harbour for more than 60 years and several of these very expensive weapons went missing during trials.

The Weymouth Torpedo Project was jointly led by Ed Cumming and Ron Howse who said: "For the past 30 years individual team members have been recording and researching the lost test torpedoes that have been trawled up by fishermen and divers in the area.

"I was diving in Weymouth Bay when by chance I came across a torpedo, complete but for the corroded steel outer casing and I quickly realised this was a unique opportunity for us to conduct a detailed study of one of those fearsome weapons that has become part of Weymouth's history."

Ed said: "We identified the torpedo as an experimental air-launched RNTF 18 inch Mark XII** with a rare Peter Brotherhood, four-cylinder burner-cycle engine and a very unusual nose cone.

"Research indicated that it might relate to the experimental development of a homing torpedo during the Second World War.

"We decided to photograph and document it in-situ on the seabed before recovering the 'after-body' and the tor-

pedo's Depth, Roll and Inclination Recorder.

"Imagine our surprise when, after initial cleaning of the Recorder, we were able to open it, find the clockwork mechanism still worked and the paper that recorded the progress of the torpedo intact after 70 years underwater.

"This will be the first locally recovered torpedo to be fully documented from discovery through to public dissemination of the research and display of torpedo components. The recorder has already been on display in Portland Museum."

The recovered torpedo components are now in conservation and the team hopes they will eventually go on public display.

Ron Howse said: "It would be a great if there was a local museum, or display facility, dedicated to the history of the torpedo and the Whiteheads factory which has had such an enormous impact locally for over 100 years.

"This torpedo along with components from another dozen torpedoes that span the years between 1887 and

1944 could be the start of a national collection based in Weymouth."

Unfortunately further work on the torpedo's 'wrecksite' has been halted due to the implementation of the Marine Act in April 2011. For the first time archaeologists are required to purchase a license from the Government to undertake any work on the site that might disturb the seabed.

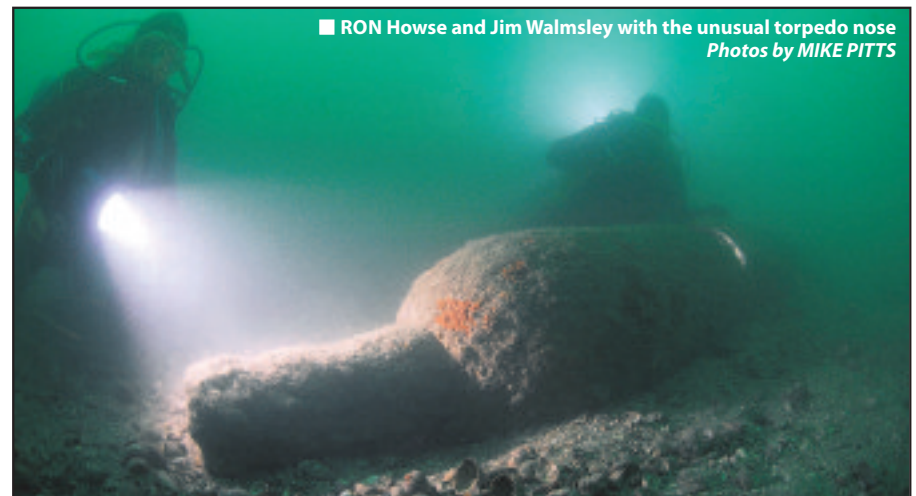
Whilst there are only 46 wrecks in English waters that have received designation and protection by English Heritage, Nautical Archaeology Society members have "adopted" 122 wreck sites.

Mark Beattie-Edwards, Programme Director at Nautical Archaeology Society explained: "The scheme aims to develop a sense of ownership and stewardship for the coastal and underwater cultural heritage by encouraging individuals, groups and clubs to adopt maritime sites.

"Each year those who have adopted and carried out work on a site are encouraged to submit a report to the Adopt-a-Wreck Award judges".



■ RON Howse with the Adopt-a-Wreck award



■ RON Howse and Jim Walmsley with the unusual torpedo nose
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Farewell 2011 - we will not miss you!

WELL, that's another year out of the way and good riddance too! There was precious little to recommend 2011 unless it was a chance for some protective construction work.

My Olympic bunker took most of the year to build but it was worth every ache, pain and blister because I am now the proud owner of awesome defences capable of repelling everything from door-to-door salesmen hawking sailing souvenirs to Sebastian Coe.

A giant freezer storage food area 50ft underground ensures I can stay out of the way from mid-July until it's all over in September without risking a single edited highlights replay of the quarter-finals of the deck quoits competition.

Nor will I have to listen to hysterical commentary of Great Britain losing the third place play-off in the ... well in any number of

things.

Yes, it will just be me, a few select wines and a chance to catch up on my DVD viewing including all nine series of Dad's Army which will probably be on television anyway to plug any brief broadcasting gaps between 2am-4am not filled by Olympic coverage.

Sadly, if my bunker may protect me from the Olympics in 2012, nothing could protect me and everyone else from a blitzkrieg of roadworks for the Games which paralysed the town in 2011.

Blitzkrieg is a good word to use since its definition is "a violent campaign intended to bring about speedy victory". The only difference from blitzkrieg is that the roadworks were carried out by people supposedly on our side. The amount of damage caused in each case was roughly the same.

Elsewhere, the year was dotted

with various achievements from giant knitting projects to Princess Anne opening the new St John Ambulance building on Portland.

Much more serious developments saw this area's vital coast-guard service and rescue helicopter burnt on the altar of Government ineptitude, something which is bound to haunt Ministers with tragedy in years to come.

A lighter note confirmed Weymouth and Portland at the pinnacle of recycling in this country with Give and Take events enjoying huge popularity.

The idea is that you bring along good quality items you no longer want and other people can take them away and give them a new home to prevent them going to landfill.

I've attended several and particularly liked one where an elderly woman brought her husband along

because she claimed she was "after a younger model"!

Libraries took a beating, always a disturbing sign in any civilised society, and I still feel that the decision to close several was the wrong one. Communities over a wide area are defiantly continuing the fight to try and save sites cast adrift by the county council.

It was also a year when a project first discussed in 1927 was finally completed.

Yes, the good news is that Weymouth relief road is now carrying hundreds of people speedily in to town to shop and boost the local economy.

Unfortunately the bad news, as one councillor recently pointed out, is that the relief road is also carrying thousands more in the opposite direction to shop elsewhere, fed up with roadworks, traffic jams and parking fees even with some free Christmas parking.

Weymouth and Portland and West Dorset continued their partnership drive to share services and staff in a bid to save millions of pounds.

View From was lucky enough to get a glimpse of the joint authority's new heraldic coat of arms for West Dorset Borough Council which consists of a white handkerchief on a blue background with a knife through it.

Continuing the theme of corporate blood letting, several councillors together with staff from the council's legal and public relations departments could be seen limping about, presumably after shooting themselves in the foot over the seafront kiosk contracts fiasco.

To coin a certain well known phrase, never have so many people been mystified by so many questionable documents drawn up by so few...and the row simmers on.

Portland historian Stuart Morris

finished runner-up in a national video competition with his entry Portland – Heart of the Jurassic Coast and the skyline of Weymouth is changing dramatically with a giant new 170ft viewing tower which is due to be built by the Pavilion.

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changing their vision of the world around them. John Meaker resident tutor /artist studied at the Royal Academy Schools, while it still passed on traditional techniques and skills of painting and drawing, as well as studying the opposite tradition of ingenuity and contemporary modernism at Goldsmiths. John does not impose any style or theory but likes to see each individual developing his/her own inde-

pendent process of art. He is also a lecturer at Missenden Abbey and West Dean.

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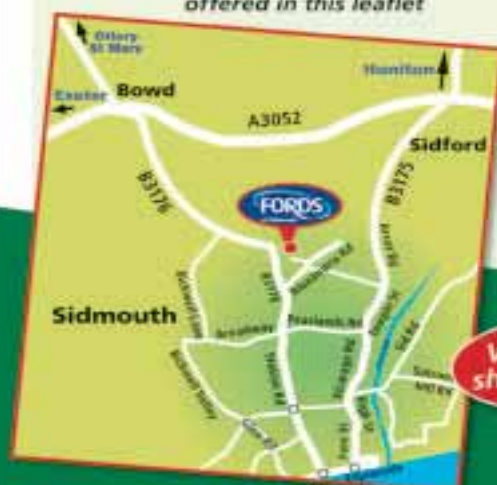
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View 2 Music

BAND'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT SURPRISE PACKAGE!

THERE was more than a touch of the unexpected at Lyme Regis Town Band's recent Annual Christmas Concert at the Woodmead Halls, sponsored by AJ Wakely and Sons. The band's varied programme included two unusual solos, for tuba and triangle and plenty of audience participation.

It also featured annual awards to members of the band. Stuart Broom once again presented the Gordon Broom Memorial Shield in memory of his father. This year it went to Nikki Herbert who was responsible for setting up the Training Band at the beginning of the year, which is now well-established.

Those in the audience expecting the usual mix of music from the band will have been both surprised and amused by what actually took place. Band Chairman Paul Snowball's solo 'Tuba Smarties' was preceded by an announcement from compere Alan Vian that Paul was unable to be present, but had instead sent his maiden aunt, a Countess with an exceedingly long name. All of this was as much a surprise to the Musical Director John Powell as it was to the audience! When the Countess arrived on stage from the back of the hall, she bore, of course, more than a passing resemblance to her nephew.

There was also a very finely judged solo on the triangle from bass player Eric Hodder, after several false starts and several of the audience were 'invited' to step into the limelight to accompany the band on percussion instruments for the finale of the first half. However, one member suddenly found greatness thrust upon her, when the Musical Director left her with his baton to conduct the band while he focused on the percussionists. The stand-in maestro, Sandra Porter, later commented 'I really enjoyed myself on stage; the whole evening was great'.

Alan Vian, making his debut as compere, ensured that proceedings moved smoothly and obviously had prior knowledge of the many diversions during the concert. The large audience present were kept busy with the singing of well-loved carols, accompanied by the band.

The band is grateful to all who supported this concert in any way. The proceeds will enable the band to develop its activities and continue to provide live local music.



STAND-IN | Sandra Porter gets a quick lesson before taking over as maestro!



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New Season Announced at BAC

BRIDPORT Arts Centre's new season is guaranteed to brighten up the cold winter months with more events than ever. There is theatre, dance, comedy, live music, community events, exhibitions and an exciting new venture in the café... not to mention very best of digital cinema from Curzonat.

The first production on the Arts Centre's stage is an exciting adaptation of E.Nesbit's children's classic *The Phoenix and the Carpet*, Thursday, January 19th, 7.30pm. Adults and children alike will enjoy this post Christmas pick up that sees four children adventure around the world on their new magic carpet, with the help of a mysterious and fiery phoenix. At only £10 per ticket it is a perfect Christmas gift.

January also sees comedian Mark Watson performing 'Request Stops' on January 21st. The Arts Centre will be launching the Storytelling Café on 20th, with Martin Maudsley who will retell one man's life story, with live folk music from Fiona Barrow. Show of Hands lovers will be delighted to hear that the fabulous double bass player Miranda Sykes will be coming with Rex Preston as part of her own tour, on Friday, January 27th, 8pm.

Drawing: the visual representation of thought, a fascinating exhibition curated by local artist David Brook will explore the process of drawing from January 21st – February 15th. Admission is free.

The action continues throughout the season and highlights include a classic adaptation of *The Secret Garden*, brought to Bridport by creative and inventive local company, Angel Exit Theatre. *The Seagull Effect*, a performance that explores a couple's relationship as Britain is hit by the unexpected storm of 1987 is perfect for more adventurous playgoers. We are also co-presenting a play at the Bay Theatre in Weymouth, *The Harbour*, based on the Selkie Myth, Thursday, April 12, 8pm.

Fancy a dance? Bob Marley's Birthday Bash will be a great reggae night out, and you will need your dancing shoes too for The Urban Folk Quartet or come along and see the amazing Tazaviva Dance.

International Women Day will be celebrated by a host-ess of events in March, and The Big Bingo Show is a very special evening – be prepared to have a ball!

The Arts Centre is also please to be continuing with the Super £3 offer aimed at making the arts accessible to all. 20 tickets will be held for a number of events for full time students, young people aged between 16-18, those in receipt of income support, JSA or Housing Benefit.

Pick up a programme from Bridport Arts Centre, open Tuesday – Saturday, 10am–4pm. To book call the box office on 01308 424204 or visit the arts centre Tuesday-Saturday, 10am-4pm.

Orchestral Playing Day in Bridport heralds new Centre for Music

MUSICIANS young and old will meet to play together on Saturday, January 14 from 10.00am – 1.00pm at the Christian Fellowship Hall, East Street Car Park, in Bridport. The 'Friends of West Dorset Music Centre' thought that their role in running a Centre that had been in place for almost 30 years had come to an end last July. It was one of several closed by Dorset Music Service as part of wide ranging cuts to music services across the county. However, they have now come together with staff made redundant by the Music Service to plan an Orchestral Playing Workshop which will be directed by ex-Deputy Head of Dorset Music Service, Walter Brewster. Walter commented, "We hope that this will be just the beginning for a new Centre for Music in West Dorset. In difficult economic times people look to the creative arts to lift their spirits. West Dorset, and Bridport in particular, has had a strong musical community for many years and we hope to create opportunities for young people and older musicians in the coming months." Sandra Brown, Chair of the Friends of West Dorset Music added, "I am so pleased with this new venture in Bridport".

The workshop will consist of a rehearsal followed by an informal performance for parents and friends at 12.30 pm. Players will then enjoy lunch and an opportunity to discuss the future for a regular Centre. Posters and flyers have been circulating for a number of weeks now and although the official closing date for applications has passed there are still places available for those who would like to attend. An application form can be downloaded from www.strawberry-music.com

The new Friends of 'West Dorset Music' will work in partnership with 'Strawberry Music', a co-operative of music teachers formed after the restructuring of Dorset Music Service. Jane from Strawberry Music commented, "With public support we hope to offer an excellent facility for high quality music-making in West Dorset. Together we have many years of experience in running Music Centres across the county but West Dorset Music Centre has always had a very special sense of community that we hope will emerge again as the new Centre takes off".

Pat Crawford, long-standing Director of West Dorset Music Centre summed up the aim of the venture, "Instrumentalists of all ages and standards need to play in ensembles to develop their skills. It is hoped that many from the local area will give enthusiastic support to this initiative."



Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

WHILST Noel Coward wrote about 50 plays and 300 songs he was not known for writing poetry. However, a new book by Barry Day entitled "The Complete Verse of Noel Coward" tells how he was always versifying, and even corresponding with his friends in verse. Mr Day says that Noel was always suspicious of 'modern' – even in the 1920s. Modern poetry he distrusted 'as being certainly affected and probably bogus'. If you are a Coward admirer the book is an interesting biographical read and some of the verses are very good indeed. For example, in 1943, Coward wrote, "I was in London sitting up in bed one night, listening to the RAF planes going over to bomb Cologne. For two hours there was a steady hum in the sky – and so I wrote this little verse."

LIE IN THE DARK AND LISTEN

Lie in the dark and listen,
It's clear tonight so they're flying high
Hundreds of them, thousands perhaps,
Riding the icy, moonlight sky.
Men, material, bombs and maps
Altimeters and guns and charts
Coffee, sandwiches, fleece-lined boots
Bones and muscles and minds and hearts
English saplings with English roots
Deep in the earth they've left below.
Lie in the dark and let them go
Lie in the dark and listen.

Lie in the dark and listen

They're going over in waves and waves
High above villages, hills and streams
Country churches and little graves
And little citizens' worried dreams.
Very soon they'll have reached the sea
And far below them will lie the bays
And coves and sands where they used to be
Taken for summer holidays.
Lie in the dark and let them go
Lie in the dark and listen.
Lie in the dark and listen
City magnates and steel contractors,
Factory workers and politicians
Soft, hysterical little actors
Ballet dancers, 'Reserved' musicians,
Safe in your warm, civilian beds.
Count your profits and count your sheep
Life is flying above your heads
Just turn over and try to sleep.
Lie in the dark and let them go
Theirs is a world you will never know
Lie in the dark and listen.

At the end of 1943 he was staying briefly in New York when he wrote this:

HAPPY NEW YEAR

'Happy New Year' the fifth year of war.
'To Victory' – 'To Nineteen Forty-Four'
'To all our fighting men' 'To their release
From carnage' – 'To a world at last at peace'
These were the words we said. The glib, confused

Hopelessly hopeful phrases that we used.
Then we had more champagne – and somebody sang
Supper was served – outside we heard a gang
Of revellers gaily carousing by
Blowing their foolish squeakers at the sky.
'Happy New Year' – 'Happy New Year for whom?
How many people in that scented room?
How many people in that drunken crew
Squealing and swaying down Fifth Avenue
Thought for a moment; felt the faintest doubt;
Wondered what they were being gay about;
Here in New York, with shrill conviviality
Toasting their lack of contact with reality.
Lifting my glass, I sadly bowed my head
Silently to congratulate the Dead

Noel Coward was a larger than life character with an astonishing array of talents. A great playwright and patriot, he was loved especially for his wit and the humour of his many comic songs. He died in Jamaica, aged 73, in 1973. We could do with a few class acts like Coward now – to raise the tone of our present day theatre and musical comedy.

● If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: Poetry for Pleasure, Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedial@pemedial.co.uk

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12 FILMS FOR 2012

THERE are plenty of blockbusters to look forward to in the New Year, and this list of 12 films to look out for covers superheroes, rock stars, aliens, cartoon animals and vampires - something for everyone!

1 | WRATH OF THE TITANS (Released March)

AFTER Ares betrays Zeus to the Titans, Perseus treks to the underworld to rescue Zeus, overthrow the Titans and save mankind. Stars Sam Worthington, Ralph Fiennes and Liam Neeson.

2 | THE AVENGERS (Released May)

THE Avengers will bring together the super hero team of Marvel Comics characters for the first time ever, including Iron Man, Captain America, Thor, The Hulk and more, as they are forced to band together to battle the biggest foe they've ever faced. Stars Robert Downey Jr, Samuel L Jackson, and Scarlett Johansson.

3 | MEN IN BLACK III (Released May)

THE MIB duo of Agent Jay (Will Smith) and Agent Kay (Tommy Lee Jones) are back in action. When the world is threatened by an evil alien, Agent Jay travels back in time to 1969, where he teams up with the younger Agent Kay to stop an evil villain named Boris (Jemaine Clement) from destroying the world in the future. Emma Thompson will play take-charge MIB operative Agent Oh, who is monitoring a prison breakout.

4 | ROCK OF AGES (Released June)

THE story of small town girl Sherrie and city boy Drew, who meet on the Sunset Strip while pursuing their Hollywood dreams. Their rock 'n' roll romance is told through the hits of Def Leppard, Joan Jett, Journey, Foreigner, Bon Jovi, Night Ranger, REO Speedwagon, Pat Benatar, Twisted Sister, Poison, Whitesnake, and more. Stars Mary J Blige, Alec Baldwin, Tom Cruise and Russell Brand.

5 | MADAGASCAR 3: EUROPE'S MOST WANTED (Released June)

ALEX the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Gloria the Hippo, and Melman the Giraffe are still fighting to get home to their beloved Big Apple; King Julien, Maurice and the Penguins are along for the adventure. This time the road takes them through Europe where they find the perfect cover: a traveling circus, which they reinvent Madagascar style! Voices from Ben Stiller, Chris Rock, David Schwimmer and Sacha Baron Cohen.

6 | THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN (Released July)

PETER Parker (Andrew Garfield) is going back to high school when the next "Spider-Man" hits theaters in the summer of 2012. The film will focus on a teenager grappling with both contemporary human problems and amazing super-human crises. Also stars Emma Stone, Rhys Ifans and Martin Sheen.

7 | THE DARK KNIGHT RISES (Released July)

EIGHT years after the events of The Dark Knight, Batman faces challenges from the brutal Bane and the stealthy Catwoman. Christian Bale returns as Batman, Michael Caine is butler Alfred, Tom Hardy is Bane and Anne Hathaway stars as Catwoman.

**8 | ICE AGE: CONTINENTAL DRIFT** (Released July)

THE 4th installment of the "Ice Age" franchise sees Manny, Sid, Diego, Ellie and Scrat frozen solid and accidentally defrosted in a museum in present day. Voices from Ray Romano, Queen Latifah and more.

9 | THE BOURNE LEGACY (Released August)

THE fourth instalment in the Bourne franchise. Jeremy Renner stars as an assassin trained in the same program as Jason Bourne (who does not feature). Also stars Rachel Weisz and Edward Norton.

10 | THE TWILIGHT SAGA: BREAKING DAWN PART II (Released November)

THE second part of this year's hugely successful instalment of the saga. Stars Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner and Kristen Stewart.

11 | THE HOBBIT: AN UNEXPECTED JOURNEY (Released December)

THIS prequel to The Lord of the Rings trilogy follows Bilbo Baggins, an upstanding member of the "little people," on the hazardous journey with Gandalf the Grey. Together with 13 fortune-seeking dwarves, Bilbo Baggins will be swept out his door and into a dangerous but grand adventure through the Lonely Mountains, where he must contend against all manner of enemies, from dragons, to giant spiders, hostile elves, ravenous wolves, and - perhaps the most perilous of all - a subterranean creature named Gollum from whom Bilbo wins a magical ring (the ring that rules them all) in a riddling contest! Stars Ian McKellen, Andy Serkis and Martin Freeman.

12 | DJANGO UNCHAINED (Released December)

DJANGO is a freed slave, who, under the tutelage of a German bounty hunter, becomes a bad-ass bounty hunter himself. After taking down some bad guys for profit, they track down Django's slave wife and liberate her from an evil plantation owner. Stars Jamie Foxx, Samuel L Jackson and Leonardo Di Caprio, and directed by Quentin Tarantino.

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Chipwrecked ^U

Fri-Mon: 12.10, 14.20, 16.30,

16.30, 18.40

Tue-Thu: 14.20, 16.30, 18.40

Puss In Boots in 3D ^U

Fri, Sun, Mon: 12.40, 15.10, 17.30,

19.50

Tue-Thu: 15.10, 17.30, 19.50

New Year's Eve ^{12A}

Fri, Sun-Thu: 14.40, 17.20, 20.00

Sat: 14.40, 17.20

Puss In Boots in 2D ^U

Fri-Mon: 11.50, 14.15

Tue-Thu: 14.15

Arthur Christmas in 3D ^U

Fri-Mon: 12.20

Mission Impossible:

Ghost Protocol ^U

Fri, Sun, Mon: 11.15, 13.30, 14.15,

16.30, 17.15, 19.30, 20.15, 21.00

Sat: 11.15, 13.30, 14.15, 16.30,

17.15, 19.30

Tue-Thu: 14.15, 16.30, 17.15,

19.30, 20.15, 21.00

Girl With The Dragon Tattoo ¹⁸

Fri, Sun, Mon: 10.45, 13.00, 14.00,

16.15, 17.15, 19.40, 20.30

Sat: 10.45, 13.00, 14.00, 16.15,

17.15

Tue-Thu: 14.00, 16.15, 17.15,

19.40, 20.30

Happy Feet 2 in 2D ^U

Fri-Mon: 11.00am

Spy Kids: All The Time In The

World in 2D ^{PG} Sat: 10.00am

The Smurfs in 2D ^{US} Sat: 10.10am

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The Shed Photography to hold exhibition at the Lyme Regis Malthouse Gallery

THE Shed Photography welcome you to a group exhibition of photography, illustration, painting and sculpture entitled 'Coast: the sea, the sea', at the Malthouse in Lyme Regis from December 30th until January 8th.

The exhibition is an opportunity to see how local artists such as Jeanne Goodridge, Pete Hackett, Chelsea Davine and Jess Douglas view the coast that dominates the horizon, with its rolling weather systems and ever changing light. In addition The Shed will be showcasing the work of established photographers from all over the world, from the website.

They are delighted that in conjunction with the exhibition, photographer Maisie Hill will be running two photo days on Saturday, December 31st and Saturday, January 7th, which will include a four hour tutorial, techniques and a portfolio discussion. All participants will be given a free print of one of the images taken on the course. Illustrator Paula Youens will also be demonstrating mono print making throughout the week, whilst Chelsea Davine will be available to talk about painting and how to develop your photographic practice by joining The Shed's ever-growing community of talented artists and photographers. If you wish to be involved in the workshops please get in touch as soon as possible to avoid disappointment, by emailing info@theshedphotography.com. The Shed Photography dedicates its time to promoting, selling and printing photographers' and artists' work by providing all exhibitors with their own website within a website, visit www.theshedphotography.com.



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FIDDLE AND BANJO CELEBRATION CONCERT

THERE'S a special concert to celebrate one of most enduring combination of instruments the fiddle and the banjo on Friday, January 20th 2012. It will feature a great triple bill of Stompin' Dave & Edward Bennett, Kate Lissauer and The Gollywhoppers.

Bridport's own fiddle and banjo man Stompin' Dave has performed support at a plethora of events at The Electric Palace in 2011 including Michael Roach, The Thunderbridge Bluegrass Boys, Maurice Dickson, The Secret Sisters, Ira Bernstein and Julie Felix. Now Dave gets his chance to headline. Joining Dave on fiddle will be young banjo whiz Edward Bennett. Sixteen year old Edward from Penzance is the most promising young musician in the UK's old-time music scene. Ed was youth banjo champion at the prestigious Clifftop Festival, Virginia and the Morehead old-time festival in Kentucky last year. Edward also scooped third prize at the old-time banjo contest at the legendary Galax Fiddlers Convention.

Dave and Ed have just released a new CD titled Old-time fiddle & banjo. The duo first performed together at The Cornish Bluegrass Festival this summer, a hit with the packed festival audience. Following this success Dave and Ed performed together again at Dorchester Arts Centre to support The Whitetop Mountaineers from Virginia.

To celebrate their new found partnership Dave and Ed have invited two of the best acts from the UK's old-time scene to share the stage with them. Kate Lissauer, currently resident in England, is a highly regarded exponent of American old-time country music. Kate has been performing and teaching for many years, and brings her knowledge and love of mountain, bluegrass and folk music to life through her passionate instrumental and vocal style.

Kate's musical history includes playing with one of Maryland's champion string bands, Rev. Chip and the Moonbrides, touring as a member of the legendary Steptones Appalachian cloggers, who helped to bring American step-dancing to the UK.

Kate began her career as a champion fiddler in her home state of Maryland, and is also an expert clawhammer and old-time three-finger banjo picker, a guitarist, and singer. Her solo performances range through a great variety of music, including old ballads upon which she has placed her own stamp, blues and gospel songs, hard-driving fiddle tunes, and one of her trademarks - fiddle-backed songs.

She presently performs as a solo artist and with her band, Buffalo Gals who recently appeared on radio 4's Women Hour. Her appearances include folk clubs and folk festivals, international music and dance festivals.

Dawlish duo The Gollywhoppers (named after the North American crane-fly) is a recently formed duo playing old-time music. Andrew Henley and Emily Poole both sing and play fiddle, banjo and guitar. Their songs and tunes draw on early recordings. Both have been part of the UK old-time scene for many years, playing in various bands at festivals and for Appalachian dance teams. They have already been invited to perform at The Friends Of American Old-Time Music (the UK's Old-Time music society) Festival in Lincolnshire, Burnham Folk Festival, Orwell Bluegrass Festival, Didmarton Bluegrass Festival and at Teignmouth Folk Festival.

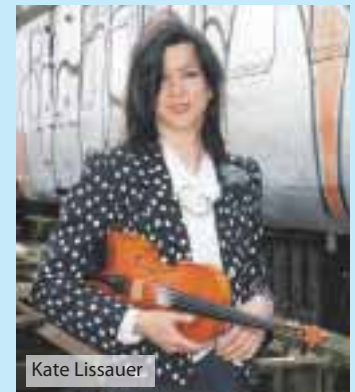


The Gollywhoppers

Tickets for are available from Bridport Music (01308) 425707 or Bridport TIC (01308) 424901, or online from Stompin' Dave's website www.stompin-dave.com. The show starts at 8pm, with doors opening at 7.15pm.



Edward Bennett & Stompin' Dave



Kate Lissauer

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SATURDAY DECEMBER 31ST

LYME REGIS: New Year's Eve Party at Lyme Regis Football Club from 7pm. Finger buffet, cocktails, disco, smart dress (suits and posh frocks). Tickets cost £5 in advance or £7 on the door, and include a glass of bubbly and the buffet. To book your ticket call 07974 651624.

SUNDAY JANUARY 1st

BRIDPORT: New Year's Day Classic Car Meet with optional run from 11am at the Crown Inn. Refreshments available. Donations to Cancer Research UK. For information call 01308 488241.

THURSDAY JANUARY 5th

BRIDPORT: Bridport International Folk Dancing Club at 7.45pm in the British Legion Hall, Victoria Grove. Beginners are welcome - prior knowledge is not required as all dances will be taught by a local enthusiast. Telephone for more details on 01308 423442

FRIDAY JANUARY 6th

BRIDPORT: Healing at the Diamond Doorway, 54 South Street. 10-12pm. Every Friday morning. For more details call 01308 425365 or 459438.

SOUTH PETHERTON: Winter Blues with Michael Roach plus Stompin' Dave and Dave Saunders. Live at the David Hall. Starts 8pm adv tickets £10, on the door £12. Box Office Tel: 01460 240340, online tickets from www.the-davidhall.org.uk

SUNDAY JANUARY 8th

WEYMOUTH: 'Pie & A Pint Seasonal Circuit' Men only sponsored walk in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare Trust. 6K OR 10K route starting at 11am from The Royal Hotel, The Esplanade, Weymouth. Registration fee £15 with a FREE pie & pint of beer or lager at the end of the walk. Tel: 01305 215320 or download a form at www.weld-hospice.org.uk/pieandpint

THURSDAY JANUARY 12th

BRIDPORT: 'Three Days Late' Ceilidh Club at the British Legion Hall, Victoria Grove, 7.30pm for 7.45pm start. All welcome, partners not essential. Telephone 01308 423442 for more details.

FRIDAY JANUARY 13th

BRIDPORT: Healing at the Diamond Doorway, 54 South Street. 10-12pm. Every Friday morning. For more details call 01308 425365 or 459438.

SATURDAY JANUARY 14th

LYME REGIS: Uplyme Morris will perform traditional was-sailing and other dances at the Museum Square at 3pm to ensure a good apple crop in the coming year. Followed at 3.30pm (ish) by the FIRST performance of MUMMER'S THE WORD a revival of the mummung tradition in Lyme Regis, last seen in 1918/19. Free to attend, it'll be a promenade performance taking in 3 locations in the old town. Written and directed by Harry Ford, the play will give the audience opportunity to gasp at the heroics of Sir George, tremble at the ghastliness of the Woodworser, boo! the underhand tactics of Sir Apricock (the dastardly tea-drinking Turkish knight) and swoon at the beauty of fair Sabra, the spirited Gypian Princess. It concludes at St Michael's Church and is suitable for all the family, but the tradition includes elements that may startle the fainthearted (be prepared for one or two savage masks and eerie scenes). There will be mulled ale made to an authentic local recipe to finish, but make do make sure everyone wraps up warm. For further information contact Harry Ford on 07527821809 or by email: fordshly@gmail.com.

TUESDAY JANUARY 17th
LYME REGIS: Lyme Regis Art Group meeting at 2pm in the Woodmead Halls. Demonstration of Shin Han Water-colour entitled 'Fantasy Faces' by Sharon Hurst. All visitors welcome.

FRIDAY JANUARY 20th

BRIDPORT: Healing at the Diamond Doorway, 54 South Street. 10-12pm. Every Friday morning. For more details call 01308 425365 or 459438.

BROADMAYNE: Market from 2 - 3.30pm, at St Martin's Community Hall (Next to the Church). Raffle, craft, plants, books, Jigsaws, Cards, Local lamb, sausages & eggs, Local Watercress, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club - John Foulkes will give a presentation on the Arctic, and judging of the competition 'Kitchen', at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details.

BRIDPORT: Fiddle and Banjo Concert at The Electric Palace. Old-time music concert featuring Stompin' Dave & Edward Bennett plus Kate Lissauer and also The Gollywhoppers. Doors 7.15pm, starts 8pm adv tickets £10, on the door £12 available from: Bridport TIC 01308 424901, Bridport Music 01308 425707. Online tickets from www.stompin-store.com

SUNDAY JANUARY 22nd

BRIDPORT: SW Dorset LETS Lunch at St. Mary's Church Hall 12.30 for 1pm. Local Exchange Trading System. All welcome. Please contact Davina 01297 560014 for more details.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25th

UPLYME: Talk: 'Care and Management of Trees and Shrubs' (including pruning and tool care) by David Usher. At Uplyme Village Hall from 7.30pm. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society, members free, non-members £2. For more details call 01297 444034.

FRIDAY JANUARY 27th

BRIDPORT: Healing at the Diamond Doorway, 54 South Street. 10-12pm. Every Friday morning. For more details call 01308 425365 or 459438.

SATURDAY JANUARY 28th

AXMINSTER: "LET'S Get Together for Coffee & Tea" at the Arts Cafe, Axminster 10.30am to 12noon. Come & find out & meet with friends. Local Exchange Trading System Contact Davina 01297 560014 for more details.

UPLYME: Barn Dance with Long Odds and Shorts Straws Band at Uplyme Village Hall, 7.30-11pm. Tickets £8 (under 12s £4) including Ploughman's supper available from Uplyme Stores, Ginger Beer (Lyme Regis) or call 01297 444034. BYO alcohol, soft drinks on sale. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society.

SUNDAY JANUARY 29th

LYME REGIS: SW Dorset LETS Tea & Trading Event in Lyme Regis. Hallet Court Hall at 1.30pm to 5pm. Local Exchange Trading System. Contact Davina 01297 560014 for more details.

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A Celebration of Twelfth Night

ON the Twelfth Night, Friday, January 6th, St Gabriel's Strolling Players are rounding off the Christmas season at 7.30pm with an intimate evening in the Garden Cafe.

Sue Herman has collected prose, poetry and music written over the centuries by authors familiar and unfamiliar to celebrate the season of Christmas,

from the first snows of December until the end of the Twelve Days of traditional celebration. Candlelight, a log fire, mulled cider and mulled toffee-apple to drink and delicious canapes will make this another memorable evening from the well loved local company.

The music will be played on violin and guitar by Ian Brazier and Hannah Colby, and the words of William Barnes, Thomas Hardy, Kenneth Allsop and Henry Williamson will be presented by Elise Ripley and Sue Herman as well as by

new members of the company, to make this a truly special Dorset evening.

Tickets at £6 and £4 are available from the Box office, call 01308 424204 to leave a message reserving tickets, or pop in after Tuesday 3 January when the Centre re-opens.



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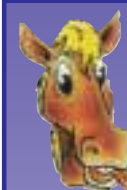
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At its launch in the House of Commons in November 2011, the licensing scheme was given the backing of Grant Shapps, Housing Minister and Alison Seaback, Shadow Housing Minister.

Shapps said: "By ensuring they enjoy the trust

of people buying and selling homes, estate agents will inject greater confidence and movement in the housing market. In future, anyone looking to buy a home or sell theirs, should ask the simple question of their estate agent – are you licensed by the NAEA?"

Currently, there is no barrier to anyone setting up and practising as an estate agent. There is no legal requirement for estate agents to obtain the new licence, leaving consumers with a clear choice over whether they choose a licensed or unlicensed agent.

Peter Bolton King, chief executive of the NAEA, said: "I am delighted to confirm that Gordon and Rumsby is now fully licensed. We would like all sellers and buyers to ask their prospective agents: Do you have an NAEA licence? If they don't, they should ask themselves whether that's the agent from whom they will get the best service when marketing their property. No one would knowingly use an unlicensed taxi driver. Neither should they use an unlicensed agent."

In a difficult economic time, it is important for anyone placing a home on the market to use a professional, knowledgeable agent. NAEA members know their local area and know their local market. That is very important to consumers."

The new licence will also guarantee the agency is covered by required amounts of Professional Indemnity Insurance. They will also undertake 12 hours of Continuing Professional Development every year, commit to keeping up to date with industry developments and be bound by the NAEA's Rules of Conduct.

The NAEA represents around one in three estate agents in the UK. It aims to get as many members as possible licensed by June 2012. All of its members can be found by visiting www.naea.co.uk.



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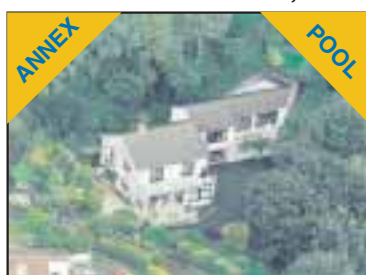
Hallway - Lounge - Kitchen/Diner - Master Bedroom With Ensuite - Three Further Bedrooms - Bathroom - Rear Lobby - Garage - Workshop - Parking - Gardens - Sea Views

LYME REGIS - £595,000



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LYME REGIS - £575,000



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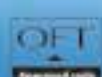
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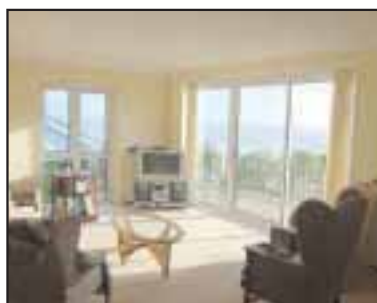
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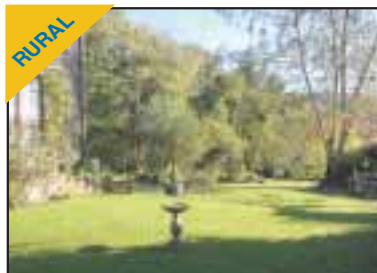
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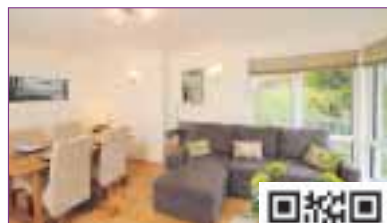
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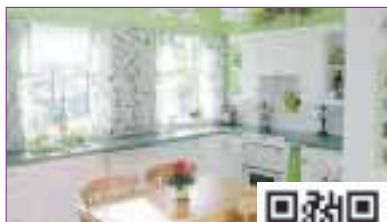
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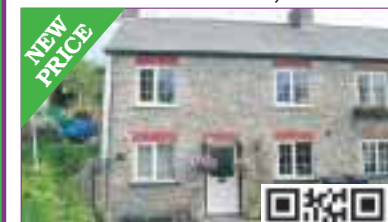
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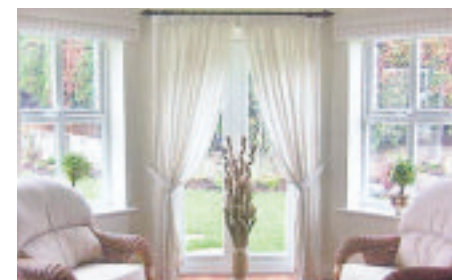
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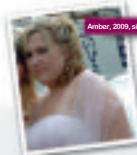
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The judges added: 'Tesco has entered the online arena not using their vast cash reserves to build the ultimate dealership but rather through developing a customer-focused website that utilises the trust of their brand to allow them to learn automotive retailing. This is one business to watch.'

Douglas Rotberg, Managing Director of Tesco Cars, commented: 'We thank the Car Dealer judges for this recognition. An award like this, less than a year after the business was launched, is

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5 DOOR HATCHBACK



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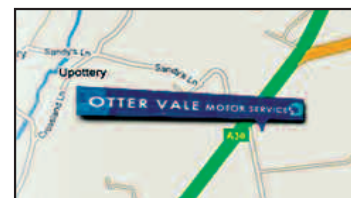
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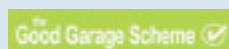
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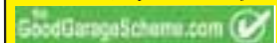
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Team mates required



■ Coach Nathan Parker pictured with members of the under 13 and under 15 teams.

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WEYMOUTH Rugby Club is actively seeking new members for their Girls Under 13 and Under 15 teams.

Girl's rugby is growing in popularity and like their football counterparts is getting recognition as a national sport.

The girls are coached by Nathan Parker and train twice a week; on

Wednesday evening between 6.30pm and 8pm (starting January 4th) and on Sunday afternoon's (starting January 8th) between 12.30pm and 2pm at the club's headquarters in Monmouth Avenue.

Girls wishing to join should ring Nathan on 07818 055385 or turn up at a training session.

Dorset sport set to be highlighted in exhibition

A NEW exhibition highlighting all aspects of Dorset sport from participating and supporting to volunteers that wash the kit and groundsmen are due to be included in a new project for Dorset Museums

'Our Sporting Life' which runs from June 30th to October 13th is an exciting new exhibition project focusing on the heritage of sport in Dorset.

The exhibition will enable communities in the county to connect with the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games locally, nationally and internationally through inspirational personal stories and unique objects.

The project is being primarily funded by a £33,000 grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund through a Your Heritage grant.

Further funding has been provided by Dorset County Council Museums Service through the Small Museums Grant together with contributions from Dorset County Museum and Poole Museum who are leading the project. In total fourteen museums across the county will be taking part in this inclusive community venture.

Dorset has a thriving sports community playing at all levels and has strong traditions of participation and spectating.

The project will reflect not only the historic sporting superstars of the county but also the unsung heroes of its sporting community; from the groundsman to those who wash the kit.

The exhibition will celebrate local

heroes and forgotten sporting legends and is part of the build towards the greatest ever exhibition of British sporting history to be held in London for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The project will culminate in major exhibitions at Dorset County Museum and Poole Museum running from June 30th to October 13th and a series of smaller exhibitions at museums across the county from Easter 2012.

These exhibitions will celebrate sporting achievements in Dorset and show how sport has helped to shape the county and its communities.

People will be able to showcase the objects that tell the stories of their sporting lives and interpret the history of sport in their community.

Project officers have already started collecting stories and will be approaching a number of sporting clubs, societies and organisations across Dorset to discover the full range of sporting achievements in the county.

Our Sporting Life has been created by the Sports Heritage Network, and through a programme of nationwide community exhibitions leading up to 2012, *Our Sporting Life* aims to bring together objects, stories and photographs that tell the story of Great British Sport from all over the country.

With the support of LOCOG, the British Olympic Foundation and the Sports Heritage Network, OSL will help to ensure that the legacy and heritage of sport is preserved well into the future.

Conference South	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Woking.....	22	16	5	1	34	53
Welling United.....	21	13	4	4	17	43
Chelmsford.....	21	10	9	2	21	39
Dartford.....	20	11	5	4	16	38
Sutton United.....	20	11	5	4	15	38
Dover.....	21	9	7	5	12	34
DORCHESTER TOWN.....	24	9	5	10	-4	32
Basingstoke Town.....	19	8	7	4	10	31
Weston-super-Mare.....	20	9	4	7	3	31
Eastleigh.....	21	9	3	9	-4	30
Truro City.....	21	8	4	9	-2	28
Tonbridge Angels.....	22	8	4	10	-6	28
Boreham Wood.....	21	8	4	9	-7	28
Eastborne Borough.....	20	7	4	9	1	25
Havant & Waterlooville.....	20	6	6	8	1	24
Farnborough.....	21	6	5	10	-18	23
Salisbury City.....	19	6	4	9	-5	22
Maidenhead United.....	22	6	3	13	-20	21
Bromley.....	21	5	4	12	-16	19
Hampton & Richmond.....	20	4	5	11	-10	17
Staines Town.....	20	3	5	12	-12	14
Thurrock.....	20	3	4	13	-26	13

LYME REGIS CRIBBAGE LEAGUE

Results, December 19th (week 15); Rocky II 0 Ship Inn 5, Gerrard Arms 4 Axe Valiants 1, Lamb Swans 4 Nags Head 1, New Inn Kilm B 2 New Inn Kilm A 3, Royal Oak 4 Stepps 1, Axm Con Club 3 Beer Club 2.

Pld	Pts
Nags Head.....	15
Lamb Swans.....	15
Beer Club.....	15

Southern Premier	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Leamington.....	21	12	5	4	10	41
Brackley Town.....	20	12	4	4	15	40
AFC Totton.....	18	12	2	4	15	38
Oxford City.....	20	11	5	4	13	38
Chesham United.....	21	11	5	5	12	38
Chippenham Town.....	20	10	4	6	9	34
Barwell.....	22	9	5	8	6	32
Stourbridge.....	17	9	4	4	11	31
Cambridge City.....	21	9	3	9	4	30
Banbury United.....	19	8	4	7	1	28
St Albans City.....	22	8	4	10	-7	28
Redditch United.....	21	8	3	10	-2	27
Frome Town.....	20	8	3	9	-5	27
Hitchin Town.....	22	6	7	5	-2	26
WEYMOUTH.....	19	7	4	8	-4	25
Bashley.....	19	7	4	8	-6	25
Bedford Town.....	20	6	3	11	-11	21
Arlesey Town.....	20	5	5	10	-8	20
Evesham United.....	20	6	2	12	-14	20
Swindon Supermarine.....	19	4	5	10	-17	17
Hemel Hempstead.....	20	3	7	10	-15	16
Cirencester Town.....	21	3	6	12	-16	15

Royal Oak.....	15	39
Rocky II.....	15	38
Ship Inn.....	14	37
New Inn Kilmington A.....	15	36
Gerrard Arms.....	15	36
Axminster Con Club.....	14	35
New Inn Kilmington B.....	14	33
Stepps.....	14	33
Axe Valiants.....	15	29

Beer League; Rocky II 0 Ship Inn Lyme Regis 3, Gerrard Arms 2 Axe Valiants 1, Lamb Swans 0 Nags Head 3, New Inn Kilm B 1 New Inn Kilm A 2, Royal Oak 2 Stepps

Current tables

Western League Prem	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Willand Rovers.....	19	12	4	3	22	40
Larkhall Athletic.....	16	11	2	3	26	35
Bitton.....	18	10	4	4	18	34
Bishop Sutton.....	18	10	4	4	14	34
Merthyr Town.....	15	8	5	2	20	29
Brislington.....	18	7	6	5	10	27
Hallen.....	15	7	6	2	7	27
Bristol Manor Farm.....	20	7	6	7	6	27
Wells City.....	15	8	1	6	2	25
Odd Down (Bath).....	17	7	4	6	5	24
Lomgwell Green Sports.....	15	7	2	6	-5	23
Street.....	18	6	1	11	-9	19
Ilfracombe Town.....	14	5	2	7	-7	17
Barnstaple Town.....	15	5	2	8	-10	17
BRIDPORT.....	17	5	1	11	-21	16
Radstock Town.....	17	3	2	12	-21	11
Corsham Town.....	18	2	2	14	-25	8
Sherborne Town.....	15	2	2	11	-32	8

1, Axm Con Club 3 Beer Club 0.		
	Pld	Pts
Royal Oak.....	15	27
Gerrard Arms.....	15	25
Lamb Swans.....	15	25
Rocky II.....	15	25
New Inn Kilmington A.....	15	23
Axminster Con Club.....	14	23
Ship Inn.....	14	22
New Inn Kilmington B.....	14	21
Nags Head.....	15	20
Stepps.....	14	20
Axe Valiants.....	15	17
Beer Club.....	15	16

And the family came too!

BRIDPORT Football Club celebrated their 125th anniversary earlier this year which included a commemorative brochure featuring a number of articles and photographs of Bees teams over the years.

Bridport have been lucky to have had a number of excellent goalkeepers down the years which included father and son, Bill and Stuart Hobbs.

Bill played in the late 1940's and through the 1950, whilst son Stuart followed in his father's footsteps a decade later, and there are photos of both in the brochure.

It was whilst reading through the brochure in detail a few weeks later, Stuart's younger sister Julie noticed that in fact she and their mother Gladys also appeared in one of the photos, the very last one in the publication.

The photo featured the Bees captain 'Nippy' Andrews receiving the Dorset Senior Cup from Bert Hart of host club Blandford Football Club.

As can be seen from the highlighted area on the photo, Julie is sat on mother Gladys' knee watching the presentation.

She was also able to name the year as 1957. "I'm wearing the new coat mum and dad bought me which I got for my fourth birthday in May of that year."

Stuart said: "I'm not in the picture because I went to be with dad as they lined up to receive their medals, but I would like to know who the boy wearing the Colfox School cap on the left is?"

"Bridport beat Swanage 3-1 and I remember dad got kicked on the head."

"There is a picture in the brochure of the winning team and dad's got a plaster on his forehead."



■ GOTCHA: Julie and mum Gladys Hobbs highlighted at the cup final.

RUGBY ROUND-UP

with Keith Jenkin

Promotion the aim for Weymouth

THERE is no doubt that clubs set targets for themselves at the beginning of each and every season, whether it be a promotion place, the avoidance of relegation, or the cementing of a place in a new division.

As regards the individual player, all that he can reasonably ask is that he has improved by the season's end. If all players can do that, then many of their club targets will be realised.

Fate very often takes a hand however. Lengthy injury lists or the unkindly bounce of a ball will often set the most realistic aspirations on their ear and leave both club and individual frustrated.

As is my habit at this time of year, I gather my thoughts (something that does not normally take too long) and put them down on paper, thus commenting on the progress of the individual clubs in my patch.

Sometimes I get it right, sometimes I get it wrong and, at the end of the day they are only thoughts and opinions; but they are my thoughts and opinions.

A club who will be reasonably satisfied with its performances thus far in the season will, I think, be PUDDLETOWN. Their fairly small squad received a real body blow early on when influential number eight and captain Chidley sustained a long term injury before a ball was kicked in anger.

They coped with his absence however, won their first two games before slipping to a narrow defeat at the hands of the newly promoted Weymouth seconds.

Since then they have certainly won more than they have lost, and their reversals have, in the main, been narrow ones. On occasion they have struggled to beat those large and lumpy sides who have "stuffed the ball up their jumpers" and rumbled forward.

Their defence is generally pretty sound however and they like to run with the ball. They lie in their division's third place at the halfway stage, although I do not see them as promotion candidates. Maybe next season!

Of the four clubs in my patch, it is DORCHESTER who play at the highest level, week in week out. They lie in fifth place of the Southern Counties (South) Division and, although they have taken one or two notable scalps, have also lost games that they will feel that they should have won.

I do remember watching their game against league leaders Sherborne when they lost 9-13, and felt that on that occasion,

they did not keep the scoreboard ticking during the periods of the game that they dominated.

Just how this can be rectified I leave to wiser heads to decide. It will be frustrating for them however, as will their tendency to relax a little during the first few minutes of the second-half.

They are an entertaining side to watch, numbering as they do one or two useful broken field runners in their ranks. While they are not promotion candidates this season, they are in a position to have a real say in the fortunes of others.

Rightly or wrongly, I have always regarded WEYMOUTH as the sleeping giants of my area. If that is really the case, they have taken steps to shake that tag.

Importantly their second side, that was in the comfort zone of the Dorset & Wilts league division three (South), won promotion at last season's end, and now lies in the mid-table of the second division.

Their first side has really set it stall out this season, and lies at the top of the Dorset & Wilts first division in spite of its injury problems.

Injuries and unavailabilities have meant that they have selected from a rather larger squad than they would have liked and the resultant lack of cohesion on occasion has played a part in one or two of their defeats.

At this, the season's halfway stage, they lead second placed Swanage & Wareham and have already beaten them 24-8.

They have pace in abundance out wide, a good place kicker, and a pack that can give anyone a game and win useable possession. If they can avoid a lengthening injury list and retain focus, they should top the table at the season's end.

They have reached the final of the Dorset & Wilts Plate competition too, and play Supermarine of Swindon early in the new Year under floodlights at North Dorset's ground. The game takes place in midweek (I think, on Wednesday January 11th). Watch this space for further details.

At the end of last season the BRIDPORT club was not in a particularly good place. It was without a coach, and both its first and second sides had been relegated.

A new regime took over, instituted a "train before play" ethic, and set about the rebuilding process. As everybody will be aware, when rebuilding it is often a case of "two steps forward, and one back", and this has duly happened.

I watched them early in the season at Ivel Barbarians and felt

that they were the lesser of two rather ordinary sides. I watched them play North Dorset seconds in mid-December and felt that they had made very real progress.

Their scrum and lineout ended the game on top, and their backs ran fluently, ball in hand, with out half King pulling the strings effectively.

They lie in the mid-table of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) currently but, if they continue to progress at their present rate, they need fear no-one in the division, and will be very capable of influencing the outcome of the promotion race in the spring.

As to the second and third sides, WEYMOUTH seconds were swanning along in the Dorset & Wilts League Division Three (South) at the midway point last season, when they suddenly took the bit between their teeth.

They strung a number of wins together that culminated in their winning the division and getting promoted. They took their place in division two "in fear and trembling" as it were, and were, at the onset, unsure if they could cope. In fact they have coped passing well and, at the season's halfway stage, lie very much in the top half of the table.

Their continuing success will be an important factor in the success of the club overall. The joining of leagues must be infectious in Weymouth for its third side are now in division four.

There is certainly a lot of travelling involved in the playing of rugby in this division but they seem to be fulfilling fixtures and enjoying life, although a promotion place does not seem to be an option.

The DORCHESTER second and third side were both relegated at the end of last season, and the second side anyway is making a concerted effort to bounce straight back. It currently lies in the division's second place and, with two to be promoted, has a six-point cushion over the side below it.

From a club perspective it is important that this happens, as the gap in standard between Southern Counties rugby and that played in the Dorset & Wilts Division Three is a huge one and very difficult for a late call up to bridge.

The BRIDPORT second side seems to be going through a rebuilding phase. It occupies a place in the mid table of the Dorset & Wilts Division Three (South), having won as many games as it has lost.

A young side predominantly, it finds travelling difficult and,

Weymouth youth rugby

Bridport U16s 5 Weymouth 50

WEYMOUTH produced a slick performance to beat Bridport on their own patch, producing tries from both forwards and backs alike.

The hosts were not at full strength; however Weymouth were privileged to be able to give them two players per half to bolster their ranks, a rarity on most occasions.

Weymouth began brightly and scored first within the first few minutes of the game. However the hosts hit straight back with a try caused by careless defending by Weymouth immediately from the restart.

The visitors never really looked troubled throughout the game as they dominated both possession and territory with a good quality of passing and making ground at the breakdown and scoring at will at every opportunity.

Weymouth played with a good number of under 15s all of whom are more than capable of competing for their position.

Blandford U16s 10 Weymouth 33

WEYMOUTH travelled to Blandford in the plate competition on a very gloomy wet day.

The conditions were extremely windy and the pitch very heavy from the outset.

Weymouth were without a host of the usual starters due to external commitments, but however were able to travel with 20 players, a first for the season.

Weymouth started playing into the wind and it certainly played its part. Retaining any such lead into the wind was always going to be a tough task for any team and they went in at half time with a two point advantage.

Weymouth's second half dominance began to show with strong running from both the backs and forwards, and it was inevitable the hosts could not maintain their visitors pressure and consistent performance throughout the second-half as Weymouth piled on 21 converted points.

This result sees Weymouth into the next round of the plate competition where they can expect the same resilient opposition, hopefully though with a full squad available.

while it has scored a goodly number of tries, it has also conceded quite a few. A promotion place is not beyond it, if it can become rather more consistent.

Those then are my thoughts and opinions of the season so far. It will be interesting to see just how many of them (if any) come to pass during the weeks ahead.

What is more important however is that all have a happy and injury free New Year.

More from the South & West Dorset rugby tournament



■ The year 8 team from Colfox School, Bridport.

THE LAST few weeks has seen the culmination of the Dorset Schools rugby competitions with the finals for Year 7, 8 and 9. VIEW SPORT has already run reports on the events, but space is unfortunately limited to show all the team photos in one edition.

For once however we have allocated some space to show some more of the other teams that competed.

Photos by Chris Davis



■ The year 7 team from Dorchester Middle School.



■ The year 8 team from St Osmunds School, Dorchester.



■ The Budmouth School (Weymouth) year 7 team.

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INSIDE: Seasonal local sport round-up



■ **Bingo! Magpies go electronic:** Dorchester Town Football Supporters' Club recently presented a new electronic bingo machine to Dorchester Town Football Club for use at their monthly bingo sessions at the Avenue Stadium.

This is part of ongoing fundraising in which the supporters' club make donations to the parent club in cash or kind.

Pictured receiving the machine on behalf of the football club is general manager Keith Kellaway, while representing the supporters' club are (from left) Eileen Aplin, Monica Edge and Janet Gill.

St Mary's Puddletown



■ THE St Mary's School, Puddletown year 7 team which competed in the recent South & West Dorset School Sports under 12/13s rugby tournament at Weymouth Rugby Club.
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